



SUPPORTING THE JOINT FIGHT

JOINT FORCIBLE ENTRY EXERCISE 10-6

Soldiers from the Army's 82nd Airborne Division and Airmen participate in a week-long joint forcible entry exercise at Pope Air Force Base, N.C. JFEX is designed to enhance cohesiveness between the Air Force and Army when executing large-scale heavy equipment and troop movements because there is no room for failure in airborne operations.

This exercise provides crucial preparation for Air Force support in the joint fight. Aerial porters, maintainers, loadmasters, boom operators and command post Airmen refine their individual skills while deploying more than 100,000 pounds of equipment, including eight 14,000-pound pallets of Humvees and other heavy machinery, and more than 1,000 Soldiers, each carrying 100 pounds of equipment.

A JFEX is conducted at Pope AFB six times per year. For Exercise 2010-6, six C-17 Globemaster IIIs from Joint Bases Charleston and Lewis-McChord and eight C-130 Hercules aircraft from Dyess, Little Rock, Pope and Maxwell Air Force Bases participated. JFEX provides both Army and Air Force personnel with the opportunity to build relationships, develop their skills and practice command and control functions.





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